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INFO USINT ALGIERS

AMEMBASSY AMMAN

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AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY RABAT

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

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USINT BAGHDAD

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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR PINS XF

SUBJ: ARAB SUPPORT FOR PLO PARTICIPATION IN ME PEACE TALKS

REF: BEIRUT 13079

1. DIRECTOR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS AT LEBANESE FONOFFICE  
(ISMAIL) GAVE EMBOFF RUNDOWN ON THINKING ARAB GOVTS  
ON QUESTION PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION AT PEACE  
TALKS. (ISMAIL IS FORMER AMB TO SAUDI ARABIA AND  
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PARTICIPATED IN GOL CONVERSATIONS OVER PAST WEEK

WITH EGYPTIANS AND SYRIANS IN CAIRO AND DAMASCUS, AND  
IN MEETINGS WITH REPS OTHER ARAB GOVTS HERE.)

2. ISMAIL CONFIRMED OUR BELIEF THAT ALL ARAB GOVTS  
WITH EXCEPTION LIBYA, IRAQ AND JORDAN WISH SEE  
PALESTINIANS REPRESENTED AT PEACE TALKS BY PLO.  
IRAQ AND LIBYA SUPPORT PLO AS REPRESENTATIVE OF  
PALESTINIANS BUT ARE OPPOSED TO ITS PARTICIPATION  
IN PEACE TALKS SINCE THIS IMPLIES CONTINUED EXISTENCE  
OF ISRAELI STATE, POSITION WHICH THEY ARE CURRENTLY  
OPPOSING. JORDAN OBJECTS BECAUSE OF LONG-STANDING  
POSITION THAT GOJ REPRESENTS PALESTINIANS AND PLO THEREFORE  
NOT REPRESENTATIVE.

3. ISMAIL SAID THAT AFTER PLO TRIP TO MOSCOW  
(ASSUMING IT COMES OFF), NEXT STEP FOR PLO WILL BE  
TAKEN AT ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS AND SUMMIT MEETINGS  
IN ALGIERS ON NOV 24 AND 26, RESPECTIVELY. ARAB GOVTS  
WILL RALLY AS MUCH SUPPORT AS POSSIBLE FOR FORMAL  
DECISION THAT PLO SHOULD ATTEND PEACE TALKS AS  
REPRESENTATIVE OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, STATUS WHICH  
ARAB LEAGUE ALREADY ON RECORD AS HAVING CONFERRED  
ON PLO. ASKED ABOUT PFLP, ALF AND OTHER MINORITY  
FEDAYEEN GROUPS WHICH HAVE NOT YET ACCEPTED IDEA OF  
PARTICIPATION, ISMAIL SAID THEY UNDER INFLUENCE OF  
IRAQ AND LIBYA WHO TRYING CREATE RADICAL SEPARATIST  
GROUP AMONG PALESTINIANS THAT WOULD BE AMENABLE TO  
THEIR INFLUENCE. HOWEVER, THEIR NUMBERS SO SMALL  
THAT EVEN IF THEY REFUSE GO ALONG WITH IDEA OF  
PARTICIPATION, THEY WILL HAVE VERY LIMITED INFLUENCE.

4. ISMAIL CONFIRMED REPORTS THAT 'ARAFAT WOULD HEAD  
PLO DEL AT ALGIERS SUMMIT MEETING.  
BUFFUM

NOTE BY OCT: NOT PASSED CAIRO.

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